

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 8-10 and 15 are amended as are the specification and drawings. No new matter is added.

Reconsideration of the application based on the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claims 1, 8-10 and 15 would be allowable if the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is overcome.

The Office Action objects to Figures 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 15 because these figures should allegedly be labeled as, for example, Fig. 1(a) and Fig. 1(b) instead of Figs. 1 (a-b). The drawings are amended as suggested in the Office Action. Withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

The Office Action objects to the Abstract as allegedly not being in the proper format. The Abstract is amended to overcome the objection. Withdrawal of the objection to the Abstract is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite. Specifically, the Office Action asserts the word "type" in claim 1 renders the claim indefinite. Furthermore, the phrases "the lens holding member" in claim 8, lines 2-3, "the rotation preventive pins" in claim 9, line 2 allegedly lack antecedent basis, the phrase "the specified distance," should be amended to "a predetermined distance" for clarity, and the word "sate" is a typographical error. Claims 1, 8-10 and 15 are amended as suggested in the Office Action to obviate the rejections.

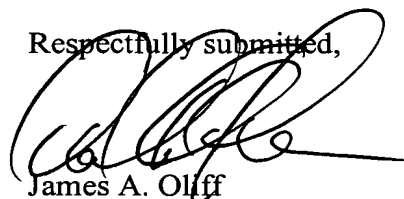
Claims 2-7, 11-14 and 16-18 are rejected only due to their dependency from rejected claim 1.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-18 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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Attachments:

Amended Abstract

Replacement Sheets (Figs. 1A-15B)

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